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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT 73544 Highway 64 Meeker, Colorado 81641



IN REPLY REFER TO: CO110 (1610)

August 15, 2006

Dear Reader:

Enclosed for review is the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Shell Oil Shale Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) Proposal tract. The Shell EA (CO-110-2006-117-EA) will be available on the internet at: http://www.co.blm.gov/wrra/nepa.htm.

Comments on the EA may be submitted in writing to:

Bureau of Land Management White River Field Office 73544 Highway 64 Meeker, CO 81506 Attn: Jane Peterson

Comments may also be submitted online at Colorado_OSRDDEA@blm.gov. Receipt and consideration of comments by other means cannot be guaranteed by the BLM. Comments mailed to other BLM e-mail accounts may be automatically rejected due to memory limitations or for security purposes. Submission by mail is recommended to ensure your public comments are received. The comment period closes on September 18, 2006. To maximize the efficacy of your comments to the BLM, please be as specific as possible, citing suggested changes, sources, or methodologies.

Written comments on the EA must be postmarked or otherwise delivered by 4:30 p.m. on September 18, 2006 to the address listed above.

Freedom of Information Act Considerations: If you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals or officials representing organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety upon completion of comment analysis.

Sincerely,

Kent E. Walter Field Manager

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Enclosure